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		First Named Inventor	Allan T. Steinbock
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Apparatus to mechanically load a compression member

(Title of the Invention)

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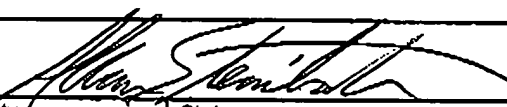

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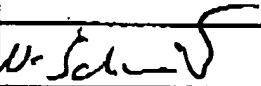
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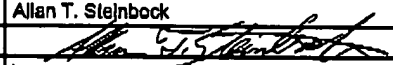
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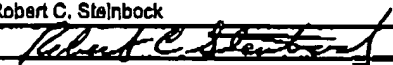
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